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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Russian troops are moving into Corea; Japanese squadron has started for Chemulgo. —— Destructive conflagration in Baltimore broke out at 11 A. M. Sunday and raged with great fury until Monday evening when the flames were stayed; the loss is estimated at $200,000,000; no loss of life is reported. —— The burned district in Baltimore comprised seventy-five blocks and nearly 2,500 buildings. ——Fire at Lakeland, Fla., caused a loss of $75,000. —— Japanese troops are landing at various ports in Corea. —— A Russian cruiser has sailed from Port Arthur and fighting is expected hourly. —— A Russian force is reported north of Pekin and the Chinese court is making preparations for flight. —— General Corbin has been ordered to Baltimore to take military command of the situation with about 1,000 troops. ——President Roosevelt has telegraphed a message of sympathy to the mayor of Baltimore. —— Gov. Warfield of Maryland has issued proclamation closing all banks and other financial institutions and deferring payment of commercial paper. —— A tornado in Arkansas killed several people. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent.; cotton quiet at 14.25c; flour was quiet; wheat—spot irregular, No. 2 red 96c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 58¼c; oats—spot easy, No. 2 48c; rosin dull; spirits turpentine steady at 66½@67c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 8.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 53 degrees; 8 P. M., 47 degrees; maximum, 64 degrees; minimum, 47 degrees; mean, 56 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .19; rainfall since first of the month to date, .41 inch.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—For North Carolina: Fair Tuesday; Wednesday increasing cloudiness, fresh northeast winds.

Port Almanac—February 9.

Sun Rises	5.55 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.34 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 39 M.
High Water at Southport	2.33 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	5.08 A. M.

The modern soldier goes to war,
And people call him "hero";
But when a week or two have passed,
He finds he's rated "zero."
—*Washington Star.*

You "Yankees" say we Southerners are slow, but we have played our cotton boll weevil to more advantage than you ever did your wooden nutmeg business! Do you mind that?

When the National Democratic convention meets in St. Louis we presume that the first thing in order will be to appoint an arbitration committee that knows what The Hague tribunal stands for.

There are said to be seventeen factions in the British Parliament. If the factions of the Democratic party get together at St. Louis, a friendly note might be dropped to the Parliament factions as to how the thing can be done.

Some Congressmen complain that they cannot keep in the procession in Washington on their salary of $5,000 a year. Pobably they neglect the opportunity to have "cold feet" before the boys down town get to feeling icy about their pedal extremities.

Intense interest was felt in Wilmington on Sunday and yesterday over the great calamity in Baltimore. That city has been visited by the most tremendous conflagration ever experienced by any city in America. The STAR's dispatches this morning tell a tale that is appalling indeed.

The Raleigh *News and Observer* on Sunday showed by correspondents from the various tobacco markets in North Carolina that the tobacco trust, by lowering prices, has caused the growers a loss of $5,000,000 alone in North Carolina this season. At any rate, the sales up to the first of February, 1903, were that much more than the sales up to February, 1904.

At Coal Creek, a little mining town in Tenn., on Saturday, there was a bloody tragedy in which four men were killed and a large number wounded. The miners were killed by guards of the Coal Creek Company and a deputy sheriff was killed by a guard while the deputy was attempting to arrest the guard. The clash was the culmination of trouble between union and non-union miners. More trouble is expected.

The New York *Globe* is responsible for the statement that on Wednesday night a baby a day old saved a large tenement house from being burned. The house is occupied by fifteen families, and it caught on fire while everybody was fast asleep. The day-old kid, stifled by the smoke, set up a yell that awoke its mother, who gave the alarm. She and the baby life-saver were carried out in a blanket and soon the fire was extinguished.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Rev. R. B. John last night held the regular quarterly conference at Grace M. E. church.

— Rev. J. P. King has accepted a call to return to the pastorate of the Second Advent church here.

— The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will meet this forenoon at 11 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. parlors.

— John McLaughlin, a white farmer, 32 years of age, died at the hospital Sunday. His remains were sent to Clarkton for interment.

— A pile of dross burning in McEachern's naval store yard across the river called out the fire department yesterday morning to protect adjacent property, but no damage resulted.

— Wilmington regrets exceedingly to lose as residents, the Rev. Dr. G. D. Barnheim and family, who will move to Charlotte within a week or ten days to make that city their future home.

— From the Mayor's court yesterday Alice Hennegan, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, and Frank Mumford, colored, charged with drunkenness, went to the roads for 30 days each.

— Mr. J. W. Monroe, of Wilmington, learned Sunday of the death of his only sister, Mrs. Caroline Tatum of Elizabethtown, who suffered a stroke of paralysis some weeks ago. She was 70 years of age.

— The balmy weather Sunday served to attract a large crowd to the beach. Extra cars on the suburban line were well filled and passengers enjoyed a delightful trip with a breath of invigorating salt air.

— Rev. Fred. D. Hale, D. D., the newly-elected pastor of the First Baptist church, has written that he will be here to enter upon his new duties March 1st instead of the middle of March as he first expected.

— The N. N. S. Society will give a "heart party" at the residence of Mr. C. E. Hall, No. 814 Dock street, Thursday night. A programme of special interest has been arranged. The public is cordially invited.

— The old reliable Hartford Insurance Company telegraphed its local agent Mr. J. VanB. Metts this morning about 1 o'clock the message contained in a readable advertisement that may be found elsewhere in to-day's paper.

REGISTERS TO RALEIGH HERE.

Gov. Aycock Will Hear Attorneys for Prosecution To-day—Mother and Sister.

The mother of Jabel Register and his sister were here yesterday from Whiteville on their way to Raleigh to still further intercede with the Governor for executive clemency in behalf of the condemned man, who is sentenced to be hanged three weeks from Thursday. Petitions both for and against a commutation of the sentence of young Register to life imprisonment have been presented to the Governor. Those who wished the sentence changed were heard a week ago and to-day has been appointed by the Governor to hear attorneys and others against commutation. Messrs. Schulken & Lewis, whose vigorous prosecution of the case won for them a name in the criminal practice of the State, went to Raleigh yesterday with several citizens of Columbus county to ask the Governor not to interfere in the case. It is not believed that the Governor will commute the sentence.

ASSISTANT TO MR. KENLY.

Report in Raleigh That Mr. Percy R. Albright Will Come to A. C. L.

A special dispatch to the STAR last night from Raleigh says that is learned there that Mr. Percy R. Albright, now manager of the North Carolina Car Service Association there, has accepted the position of First Assistant to General Manager John R. Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line. The salary of Mr. Albright is understood to be $600 per year more than he is now receiving at Raleigh. No successor to him as manager of the Car Service Association had been announced last night in Raleigh.

Paid Benefit of $3,000.

Mr. James D. Nutt, secretary of Section 221, Endowment Rank, K. of P., yesterday settled in full with the heirs of the late J. F. Stoltes, handing to them a certified check for $3,000, being amount of insurance carried in the order by the deceased. The settlement was very promptly made. During its existence here the Endowment Rank has paid to Wilmington beneficiaries over $100,000 and has been an agency of great good in the community. The Endowment Rank is flourishing in the United States as never before. An investment in North Carolina bonds was recently made. To guarantee its beneficiaries $595,000 is held in a reserve fund and back of each policy is the Supreme Lodge, K. of P., of the United States.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Matt. J. Heyer—For sale.
J. VanB. Metts—Baltimore fire.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Your time is short

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Clarkton Cross Tie Co.—Wanted.
What is Home—Without gas stove?

Gigantic sale at the Racket Store as been a wonderful success. †

To buy your Shoes and Clothing cheap, go to the Racket Store. †

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Adjourned Session Commenced Yesterday Morning With Trial of Jail Cases.

SEVERAL ROAD SENTENCES.

Grand Jury Organized and at Work. Burglary Charge Against William Willson—Woman Who Assaulted Aged Shoemaker.

Superior Court was engaged all day yesterday in the disposition of jail cases, only a few of which now remain for trial. The cases yesterday, for the most part, were of no special importance, the maximum sentence by Judge Ferguson having been 12 months on the roads. The court was regularly organized at the usual hour in the morning by the selection of a grand jury and a charge to members of the same by Judge Ferguson. He said that it would be unnecessary for them to visit and make an inspection of the county institutions for report upon their condition to the court as a previous grand jury had just performed that function. The jury had completed action upon all bills sent down by the Solicitor at 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and it came into court in a body at that time for the purpose of being discharged, but Solicitor Duffy said he had drawn one more bill which he desired to be acted upon and Judge Ferguson ordered that members of the body return this morning for the purpose of passing upon that indictment. It is rumored that the bill has to do with the recent fires in the city which are believed to have been of incendiary origin. The Law and Order League cases will probably be reached for trial some time to-day.

Court met as usual at 10 o'clock and the sheriff returned the jurors regularly summoned for both weeks of the term, except W. H. Temple, Jno. J. Williams, Chas. A. Holland, J. H. Kirkland, R. W. Bordeaux, J. A. Huske and T. F. Tyler, who were not found. The following were excused by His Honor: J. M. Wright, A. W. Vick, Richard Bradley, N. M. Culbreth, W. A. Whitney, L. Stein, Alfred Millinor and Ed Borden.

With Mr. R. E. Smith, assistant general manager of the Atlantic Coast Line, as foreman, the following grand jury was duly empanelled: George Haar, C. C. Parker, C. L. Taylor, J. F. Smith, J. G. Seltzer, D. D. Boylan, I. J. Sternberger, Henry Bowden, E. F. Johnson, Jno. A. Farrow, L. L. Newell, J. W. Blomme, Abner R. Heath, R. W. Street, J. F. Whitaker, R. L. Truelove and E. J. Grimsley. The jury was placed in charge of W. R. Smith as bailiff.

It was ordered that 20 talesmen be order summoned for the following day under the Acts of 1885.

MILL BEGINS TO GRIND.

John Grady, colored, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, pleaded guilty. Two witnesses were called and failed and were fined. The defendant was subsequently sentenced to 10 months on the roads for gambling; judgment suspended in other cases.

Edward Brown, colored, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was found guilty and recommended to the mercy of the court. The same defendant was found not guilty of carrying concealed weapons, but was sentenced to two months on the former conviction.

John Hudson, carrying concealed weapons, was called and failed; judgment nisi, sci. fa. and capias was entered.

Plummer Johnson, colored, charged with the larceny of tobacco from Fennell & Hunt, was found guilty and sentenced to 12 months on the county roads. It will be remembered that Johnson gained access to the store from the office of the B. F. Keith Co., to which he had a key.

John Reid, charged with the larceny of pair of trousers from another negro, was found guilty and sentenced to eight months on the public roads.

In the civil suit of F. H. Blodgett vs. Union Construction Co., a motion for removal to receiver was made but the motion was continued to be heard on Tuesday, March 15th, 1904, at Duplin court. Order to be signed then, by consent.

MUST PROTECT OFFICERS.

Anderson Evans, charged with resisting police officers I. F. Huggins and C. E. Wood, cutting the latter in the nose and slashing his overcoat, was found guilty and sentenced to 12 months on the roads. "They must understand that the officers of the law must be protected," remarked Judge Ferguson in passing sentence upon the prisoner who is a negro of the bad, South Carolina type.

RELIEVED OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

Brooke G. Empie, Esq., made a special appeal in behalf of a young negro drayman, Harry Brock Walker, charged with embezzling funds collected for Mr. Jos. H. Watters, the grocer, by whom he was employed. The negro was allowed to submit to forcible trespass, pay the costs and restore the money misappropriated. Mr. Watters had no desire to prosecute Walker, who admitted having collected the money, but said that he lost it.

ASSAULT UPON OLD NEGRO.

Betsy Murphy, the negro woman who, a short time ago, went to the house of an old colored shoemaker, Noah Williams, Ninth and Mulberry streets, and dealt him a murderous blow across the head with an axe, as the old fellow was cobbling before his fireplace, afterwards robbing his pockets of $1.05, was found guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon and sentenced to 12 months in jail with leave to the commissioners to hire her out. Solicitor Duffy made a strong intimation that he would like to see the woman go up for a longer time for such an aggravated offence, but Judge Ferguson said he thought the ends of justice would be met in a sentence for the period named. The solicitor also thought of sending down a bill for robbery, but upon Judge Ferguson's intimation that he thought the judgment adequate, Mr. Duffy said he would let the matter drop.

THE CASE OF BURGLARY.

Just before adjournment, William Willson, the white tramp charged with burglary in entering the residence of Mr. J. J. Kelley during the holidays, was brought into court for formal arraignment, but Judge Ferguson said Mr. Marsden Bellamy desired to be heard in the case and it would be postponed until this morning. The grand jury returned a true bill for burglary in the first degree against Willson last week, but witnesses have now been procured who will testify that the door through which the man entered the building, was not closed and he will likely not go on trial for his life. Mr. Marsden Bellamy is interested in the matter as county attorney and does not desire to put the county to the expense of a long trial, if it can be avoided. Some arrangement will doubtless be made by Solicitor Duffy and Mr. Bellamy to-day, if the evidence of which Mr. Bellamy speaks can be adduced in court. Mr. Duffy doesn't desire to effect any compromise, however, unless all the facts justify it.

MURDERED HIS OWN CHILD.

Fiendish Crime of Inhuman Negro Father Sunday Night—Drenched Infant With a Powerful Acid.

Mad with a fiendish desire to wreak vengeance upon his wife, with whom he had been at loggerheads for a year or more, Will McKoy, a young negro brute, murdered his only infant son in most horrible and revolting manner almost before the very eyes of the child's mother at their home, 605 MacRae street, early Saturday night. The life of the woman was also threatened and had she not escaped from the room in which the tragedy took place, she, too, might have been the victim of her husband's premeditated and awful crime. The matter was kept very quiet by the police until every effort had been made to capture the wretch, but Sunday the particulars came to light from evidence produced before a jury, summoned by Coroner Bell to investigate the crime.

McKoy works at the Navassa guano factory and before coming to the city Saturday afternoon he placed in his coat pocket a pint flask of the very strong acid used in making fertilizers at the factory. Proceeding to his home on MacRae street, he renewed his quarrel with his wife and in order to avoid him she was called by her sister to another room. He threatened the life of both the woman and the child and carrying the threat into execution, he lifted the baby out of its crib and forced the neck of the bottle containing the acid into the infant's mouth. The wretch then attempted to empty the contents of the whole bottle down the child's throat. The fiery liquid ran out the child's mouth on its breast, burned the clothing and began to eat into the flesh. The mother, frantic with grief, rushed out of the adjoining room and took the baby, but it had already swallowed enough of the poison to make death certain. Dr. Mask, the colored physician, was quickly summoned, but as the child was only two months and 20 days old, it died within three hours. The man, before the baby died, began to realize the consequences of the deed, and skipped before the police could locate him. His father, Sandy McKoy, lives at Navassa and the young negro went there Saturday night, but has since probably gone to Rowland, N. C., where he was partly raised. A special detail of police have worked hard on the case, but thus far, their efforts have been in vain.

The coroner's jury which investigated the case was composed of Messrs. T. S. Toler (foreman), D. D. Benton (secretary), J. A. Lewis, Geo. Mote, J. D. Mote and J. W. Strickland. The crime was fixed on the negro and the papers went immediately before the grand jury, which after an examination of half a dozen witnesses, at five o'clock went before Judge Ferguson in a body and returned a true bill for murder. Premeditation is said to have been shown by half a dozen or more witnesses.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Annual Congregational Meeting Last Night. Rev. W. A. Snyder Accepts Call.

The annual meeting of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church was held last night in Luther Memorial Building. Mr. William Niestile was elected elder and Messrs. Eduard Ahrens and E. P. H. Strunck, deacons, Messrs. H. L. Vollers, C. F. Von-Kampen and C. W. Polvogt were elected trustees. Mr. J. H. Rehder was elected delegate to synod with Mr. J. W. Duls alternate.

It was announced that Rev. W. A. Snyder, of West Reading, Pa., had accepted the call to the pastorate of the church, recently extended to him, and that he would be here the first Sunday in March to begin his new duties.

Only four more days of the Gigantic Sale at the Racket Store. Come yourself and tell your neighbors. †

Big sale at the Racket Store will be on to-day (Tuesday) with new things to sell. †

THE BALTIMORE FIRE.

Local Interest in Conflagration in Great Southern Metropolis Was Intense.

BULLETINS READ EAGERLY.

Anxiety of Property Owners Over Possible Effect on Insurance Companies, Comparison With Great Chicago Disaster of 1871.

The appalling catastrophe in Baltimore was the chief topic of interest in Wilmington Sunday and yesterday. Bulletins in front of the newspaper offices were eagerly read, and inquiries as to the progress of the fire were frequent. For a time the war cloud in the East was overshadowed by the calamity nearer home, and only with those interested chiefly in the markets was war information secondary to the Baltimore news. The first published reports of the awful disaster was contained in the Monday morning editions of the out-of-town papers, and extra supplies of these were bought and eagerly scanned upon the arrival of each train. However, none of them carried the information that the fire was in any wise under control, and the public appetite was only sharpened by reading the first day's report. It was with a feeling of relief and sympathy for the Baltimore people that towards nightfall a bulletin came which brought the welcome news that the fire was under control. The full story of the awful conflagration is told in the telegraphic columns of to-day's paper.

INSURANCE COMPANIES HARD HIT.

Of chief interest to Wilmington people yesterday in connection with the fire, was the ability of the insurance companies to withstand the enormous losses in Baltimore. Many of the companies which carry Wilmington insurance, carry insurance in Baltimore and elsewhere all over the United States, for that matter. Necessarily anything that would seriously affect the companies would affect those who have their property insured with such companies. Many of the local agents here manifested uneasiness and the same feeling existed with even greater degree and more generally among property owners. One well known agent said that the great Chicago fire put many of the strongest companies "to the bad" and that the only hope in the present instance lies in the fact that the companies now are better organized and more able to stand a less than they were at the time of the former disaster. It was also pointed out that one or more of the companies several years ago established what they call a conflagration reserve fund, the same to be applied to the payment of such extraordinary losses as the one now in Baltimore. One of the big companies at least also has a rule that it will accept no more than a certain amount of insurance in a given city. For instance, the twenty million limit is placed on New York and presumably smaller cities in proportion.

But all those things didn't allay the anxiety of property owners here and in more than one instance extra precautions are being taken against fire in view of the shaken confidence in the ability of insurance companies to withstand losses like those in Baltimore. An extra watchman has been employed by Manager Hinton, of The Orton, and hand fire extinguishers have been placed all over the building in addition to the usual hose connections. Similar precautions have also been taken in other instances where great property is at risk.

Many Wilmington merchants had purchased their Spring stocks from Baltimore houses and the list of firms burned out was eagerly scanned. Others had business connections with those burned out while still others had relatives among those who suffered. In the latter class were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Leriz, who removed to Baltimore permanently a week ago Sunday. Mr. Leriz's father was a large piano and music dealer whose place was completely wiped out by the flames. Mr. Leriz married Miss White, of Wilmington, and was until a week ago with the Armour Packing Company here. Mr. M. F. H. Gouverneur was a Wilmingtonian on the scene soon after the conflagration started. He wired Messrs. Hugh MacRae & Co. yesterday afternoon that business was entirely suspended and that the city was in great confusion.

THE CHICAGO FIRE.

Many interesting comparisons of the Baltimore conflagration with the Chicago fire of Oct. 8th and 9th, 1871, were made yesterday. Breaking out in a barn on DeKoven street, and started by the kicking over of a lamp by a cow, the Chicago fire was started, the flames were fanned by a gale and swept the city for two days and two nights with uncontrolled violence. In that fire 2,100 acres were devastated, 17,450 buildings were destroyed and 200 deaths resulted. The population of Chicago at that time was only 324,000; Baltimore's population at the last census was 508,597 and it ranks now as the sixth city of the United States. By the Chicago fire 70,000 people were made homeless and $190,000,000 out of $630,000,000 worth of property in the city was destroyed. In the respect of homeless people, the Baltimore fire is less serious from the fact that the fire occurred in the business district, but in property loss the consequences promise to be far greater than the Western conflagration. A seven million dollar relief fund was raised for the Chicago sufferers. Baltimore is 38 miles northeast of Washington, 14 miles from Chesapeake Bay and covers an area of 28 square miles. The city is laid out in general at right angles, with streets averaging 60 feet in width and was built up with red brick, made from clay beds near the city, white marble and granite, both from quarries near by, and with iron.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. F. Woodward, of Warsaw, was an Orton guest yesterday.

— Miss Mary McAllister, of Asheboro, is the guest of Mrs. J. S. Worth.

— Mrs. M. E. Bridgers is the guest of friends in Greenwood, S. C.

— Mr. W. C. Tomlinson, of Durham, the well known travelling man, is at The Orton.

— Mr. J. L. Townsend, of McDonalds, N. C., was here on a business trip yesterday.

— Mr. Junius Davis, Jr., returned to the Boston Tech. yesterday after a few days at home.

— Messrs. W. P. and A. P. McAllister, of Lumberton, were here yesterday on a business trip.

— Mr. Fred L. Merritt, of the Standard Pole and Tie Co., New York, is a guest at The Orton.

— Capt. E. Cliff Cohen, the popular A. C. L. conductor, of Norfolk, spent Sunday in the city.

— D. L. Carlton, Esq., of Kenansville, and J. L. Carlton, of Warsaw, were here yesterday.

— Dr. N. A. Thompson, of Whiteville, and Hon. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, were here yesterday, going North.

— Mr. L. L. Brinson, of Newbern, the popular American Tobacco Company representative, is at The Orton.

— Messrs. Berry Gleaves, J. H. Mallard and G. A. Croft, well known and popular travelling men, spent Sunday in the city.

— Miss Adelaide Smith, a well known trained nurse from Atlanta, has returned to the city and is stopping at No. 313 South Sixth street.

— Mr. J. Willard Smith, of San Francisco, formerly of this city, arrived yesterday and is a guest at The Orton. He expects to be here for a week or two.

— Mr. R. J. Rivenbark, agent of the A. C. L. at Darlington, S. C., spent Sunday in the city the guest of his brother, Mr. J. W. Rivenbark, No. 416 Grace street.

— Mr. L. Stein, of the A. David Company, left yesterday for a business trip North. He will stop in Baltimore to see his brother who is in business just outside the burned district.

— Mr. O. J. Peterson, of the Lumberton *Argus*, was a welcome visitor at the STAR office yesterday. He was returning from a visit to his old home in Sampson county.

— Mr. W. E. Thigpen, of Chadbourn, arrived last night and with Mr. W. E. Springer, of Wilmington, and other members of the Executive Committee of the Truckers' Association, will go to Warsaw to-day for a conference with the officers of the crate manufacturers' organization.

DEATH OF MRS. J. S. COLLINS.

Young Wilmington Lady Passed Away Sunday in Washington, D. C.

Friends will regret exceedingly to learn of the death of Mrs. J. S. Collins, daughter of Mrs. Josephine Bronson, 419 Grace street, this city, and wife of a young man formerly a stenographer of the A. C. L. but now an employe of the government in Washington. Mrs. Collins passed away Sunday afternoon in Washington after a critical illness of several days with pneumonia. The young woman was only 22 years of age and had been married only a little more than a year. She leaves her husband and a little child only two months old; her mother and sister, Mrs. T. A. Wortham, of Wilmington, and two other sisters, Mrs. H. C. Bentley, of Richmond, and Mrs. T. A. Gillis, of Alabama. The remains will be brought either to Wilmington or Burgaw for interment.

STAR COURSE ENTERTAINMENT.

Male Quartette Coming to Wilmington Next Friday Evening—Hobson Lecture.

On next Friday evening at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium patrons of the Star Course will have an opportunity to enjoy an up-to-date entertainment from a Male Quartette. The quartette is said to comprise four of the best voices in lyceum work. Mr. W. J. Juleson, the baritone, has a voice of unusual sweetness and power, and is justly famed as one of the Mendelsohn Quartette, of Chicago. The other members of the company are specially fitted and meet all demands that are required in quartette work.

The box sheet opens at DeRosset's book-store Wednesday morning and all who reserved seats for the Hobson lecture can retain their reservation for this entertainment, as Hobson's lecture will come later, in March.

NEW AND MODERN BUILDING.

Mr. Heyer Invites Proposals for Removal of Buildings on McRee Lot.

In another column of to-day's paper, Mr. Matt J. Heyer advertises for bids for removing the brick building from the McRee lot, opposite the post office building. The work is to be done immediately and the present buildings are to make way for one of handsome architecture that will be an ornament to the city. Mr. Heyer said last night that he was not ready to give out anything for publication with reference to the character of the new structure or as to who would occupy it.

Dry Goods are going up, but Gaylord's prices have come down. †

Read Gaylord's new ad. †

Sole Agents Strouse Bros. and Kuppenheimer's Fine Clothing — Masonic Temple.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.,

One Price Clothiers and Furnishers.

COME AND SEE THE BEAUTIFUL LINE OF NEW

English Square and Ascot Ties

THAT WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED.

They Sell at 50c., 75c and $1.50.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.,

One Price Clothiers and Furnishers,
Masonic Temple Building.

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The Place To Buy 'Em

Is Where They Have 'Em, and we have got 'Em Dolges Velvet and Felt Slipps were $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50, now 85c and $1.00.

Solomon's Shoe Store.

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MR. WILLIAM WATTERS DEAD.

Aged and Highly Respected Citizen of Wilmington Passed Away Yesterday.

After an immediate illness of only three days, Mr. William Watters, one of Wilmington's oldest and most highly respected citizens, died at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home in this city, No. 110 Orange street. Mr. Watters was a native of Brunswick county and was one of the largest rice planters of the Cape Fear before the war. He was 74 years of age at the time of his death. In January 1877 he removed to Wilmington and had been a resident of this city since that time. For several years he superintended the planting of rice plantations around Navassa, but on account of his advanced age and poor health, he had not been actively engaged in late years. He was a man of unblemished character, and an agreeable companion and a man who made many and lasting friends. He was a member of St. James' Episcopal parish and the funeral will be conducted from St. James' church this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Mr. Watters is survived by three sons, one daughter and one sister, Mrs. Wm. S. Strudwick, of Hillsboro. The sons and daughters are Mr. Jos. H. Watters, of Wilmington; Mr. H. H. Watters, of Chattanooga; Mr. Jno. S. Watters, of Charlotte, and Miss Fannie Watters, of Wilmington. They have the sympathy of many friends in the loss they have sustained.

INDEPENDENT MANUFACTURING CO.

New Enterprise Organized at Castle Haynes Buys Magnolia Plant—Chartered.

The Independent Manufacturing Co. just organized at Castle Haynes with D. McEachern and Robt. G. Grady, of this city, as charter members, has just closed a deal by which they have purchased the Magnolia Crate Works. This includes the entire crate and veneering machinery, saw and planing mills. The plant will be moved to Castle Haynes in a few days. Mr. J. H. Baker, of Magnolia, is the manager of the Magnolia Crate Works and a stockholder in the new company and will be manager of the department for the manufacture of crates.

The company is independent and is not counted with the crate trust. They propose to make crates as cheap as possible for the truckers.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 8.—The Independent Manufacturing Co., of Castle Haynes, was chartered to-day with $50,000 capital authorized. It will do a general lumber business, make berry and fruit crates, veneering baskets, etc. The stockholders are N. H. Carter, of Wallace; D. McEachern, W. H. Shearin and R. G. Grady.

PORT PARAGRAPHS.

Cotton Market Inactive Here—Arrival and Departure of Vessels.

Still "nothing doing" in cotton yesterday. Receipts, 771 bales; same day last year, 400.

Schooner "Lillian Woodruff" arrived yesterday to J. T. Riley & Co., from Ponce, Porto Rico, and will receive cargo of lumber. British schooner "Lillie" cleared yesterday for Kingston, Jamaica, with cargo of lumber and shingles consigned by the Kidder Lumber Co.; vessel by J. T. Riley & Company.

Quelled a Negro Row.

While on his rounds last night, summoning witnesses and jurors for the Superior Court, Justice Bornemann was called in and quelled a general row that was in progress among a crowd of negroes assembled in Salem Hall, MacRae, between Red Cross and Campbell streets. No arrests were made. Some of the negroes were disposed to be ugly at the intrusion, but when they realized that the intruder was an officer of the law, they dropped their weapons and skedaddled in every direction.

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Announcement.

We beg to announce to our customers that Mr. D. McEachern has purchased an interest in the Holmes Grocery Company and will be associated in the management of the Company.
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During the year 1903 there was a large increase in our business, for which we tender our thanks to our numerous patrons. During 1904 we expect to make our banner year.
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 9.

REASONS FOR HIGH PRICED COTTON.

The wildest point of the speculation movement in cotton has probably reached its maximum, but there is no telling, as the statistics as to a short crop are still on the bull side. It is believed, therefore, that there will be some advance over this week over the prices to which cotton declined on Saturday. The port receipts, as published in the STAR on Saturday, show that the total number of bales received thus far have been 6,096,680 bales. If a crop of 11,000,000 bales is required of America to meet the requirements of the world's consumption, we can see how short the crop is, as the best authorities agree that most of the crop has been marketed. It can hardly be assumed by the bears that there art yet from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 bales held back.

The STAR referred on Sunday to the article written by Daniel J. Sully, of New York, for the *North American Review* for February, who is known as the head of the New York bull movement. His article is entiled, "Is the High Price of Cotton the Result of Manipulation?" and as a conspicuous member of the group of speculators who have made the fight for high prices, he gives some strong reasons for the high prices that distinguished the remarkable operations in cotton this season.

Mr. Sully admits that there has been manipulation in the cotton market this year, and on both sides. One clique has believed cotton to be too low; another has taken the position that the price was too high, and the battle has been waged on the issues thus drawn. It has been a hard-fought struggle. There has been some bitterness. There has been money on both sides. If anything, the advantage, so far as money is concerned, has rested with those who have tried to depress prices. The powerful manufacturing interests of Old England and New England and the continent of Europe have tried to keep down the market. On the other side, the South, just emerging from four decades of poverty, has been specially interested in keeping up prices of the staple.

Mr. Sully declares that while there was manipulation on both sides, the South did not have money enough to have created the situation that has been produced. He holds that at least $500,000,000 would have been required to create such a state of the market if there had been no real basis for it.

Cotton is the cheapest fiber for clothing known, and it is, therefore, practically in universal use, and hence the world to-day demands an increased production of cotton. The Southern States of the American Union furnish the chief portion of the supply. The world's product is estimated at fourteen million bales, while the American crop averages from ten million to twelve million bales a year. Appealing to figures, Mr. Sully says:

Then followed a four years' period of comparatively short crops. The world's consumption had been based on an 11,000,000-bale American crop. One factor tended to keep the mills running at practically full capacity, in spite of the falling off of raw material. This factor was the estimates furnished by crop experts of standing. As these men were to certain extent, identified with mill interests they always made high estimates. In 1897-98 and 1898 99, their predictions were fulfilled in a measure, and they acquired reputations in consequence. When the years of short crops began, they still made large estimates, and with a double result; the price of cotton was depressed, an outcome greatly desired by the spinner, and the mills did not curtail consumption. For the last four years consumption has been running a race with supply, and consumption, in my opinion, is now head in the race. The crop grown in 1899 was 9,436,416 bales; that grown in 1900 was 10,292,422 bales; that grown in 1901 was 10,680,680 bales, and that in 1902 was $10,727,559 bales.

In these four years, mill stocks have been decreasing and the visible supply has dwindled. Last year, there was a shortage that produced a panic among mill owners.

Strange as it may seem, the underlying causes of the present high price of cotton had their origin during the period of enormous crops and low prices in 1897-98 and 1898-99. The crops for both of these years were more than 1,100,000 bales, and the price of cotton fell to five and six cents a pound. There was great fear of overproduction, and every means was taken, by conventions of public-spirited men and by a campaign of education through the public press to induce Southern farmers to plant more extensively of other crops, and decrease the amount of cotton produced. As a result of the low price of cotton and the enormous production. new mills started up on the Continent and in the Southern States. Within the last ten years, the mills of the world have increased their capacity by more than 17,000,000 spindles. In spite of the talk of curtailment that has been going the rounds for the last year, the South has added 817,826 spindles and 16,313 looms, representing an investment of about $16,000,000, to its mill facilities.

Mr. Sully holds that the shortage of the cotton crops for some years past was caused by deterioration of the seed, owing to the demand for it in the manufacture of oil; by inferior tillage of the land due to a scarcity of labor; a lack of acreage expansion in the planting of cotton, due also to lack of labor, and, lastly, to the ravages of insect pests. Thus it is that there is not enough cotton to meet actual requirements, and for the first time since the devastation of the civil war the Southern cotton planters, instead of being forced to hurry their product to market and accept prices which were dictated by the consumers, have been able to hold their cotton for better prices, with a result that better figures have ruled and the planters have made money.

THE COTTON SITUATION.

The cotton situation in America and the portending war between Japan and Russia are correlative matters of deep interest to the South. The latest news from the East has a very war-like aspect and doubtless it will in some manner affect cotton prices.

Last Thursday, Friday and Saturday were memorable days in cotton speculation, the exact decline from the high record price established several days ago being 364 points or a fraction more than 3 3-5 cents a pound. This means a trifle more than $18 a bale, a fact which will give some idea of the tremendous slump that has taken place.

We do not presume that the slump has greatly affected the farmers in the South, but probably there are a host of small dealers in various States that have been hit hard. They got on the bull side and if they stuck to it during the three days that prices tumbled, they are bound to have been swamped. The New Orleans *Picayune* says this of the situation:

Such losses as have occurred have not fallen upon the farmers or people in the interior. The great bulk of the cotton crop has already been sold, and the violent fluctuations which have recently occurred have served to warn all but the biggest operators to keep out of the speculative market. As a result, the losses which have followed will be largely confined to people in a position to stand them, and in the great majority of cases they will represent merely a reduction of profits already accrued, as many of the largest people in the market have followed the advance up from 8 cents a pound. Such people are amply able to stand a considerable decline without being materially damaged.

The lesson taught by the sharp break in cotton prices will undoubtedly be a wholesome one. It will serve to convince speculators that there is a limit beyond which enthusiasm cannot go with safety. Even while holding the distinction of leading all other cotton markets, New Orleans cannot afford to set aside the reasonable and proper parities which exist between this market and the other speculative markets. Yesterday's flurry and the declines of the several days preceding represented an effort of the markets to restore the proper parities. It is probable that the result will prove beneficial, as the atmosphere will be cleared and the non-conservative speculative element eliminated.

The way in which cotton was unloaded at the Cotton Exchange yesterday was undoubtedly the result of existing conditions, accentuated by fear of the results of an otbreak of hostilities in the Far East. Now, however, that everybody has had an opportunity to review the situation calmly, it will probably be realized that the reaction has gone too far in the opposite direction.

The statistical position is as strong as ever, and whatever influence war may have on the market of an unfavorable character will be only temporary, whereas the ultimate result must be favorable, as hostilities always create a big demand for all sorts of commodities.

If yesterday's flurry results in a quieter and more conservative market the trade at large will be the gainer. Human nature cannot long stand the high tension and strain which has existed recently in cotton, and as human nerves need quiet to restore their shaken equilibrium, so also the cotton market needs a period of quiet and conservatism to entirely restore normal conditions.

— There are rich gold mines in Moore county. A report issued by the Laufman Gold Mining Company, situated at Ollie, says that there are in sight on what is known as the Jackson property alone, 10,800,000 cubic feet of gold mining earth, winding down 60 feet, 15 feet wide, 1,200 feet long and in which is found $3,075 tons, assaying $20 per ton, thus yielding a revenue of $1,661,500. There is also an additional property known as the Shields property belonging to this company, which contains a body of soft ore 300 feet long, 90 feet cross and 40 feet deep, averaging about $15 per ton, which is represented thus, 300 by 90 by 40—1,080,000 cubic feet, divided by 20 cubic feet in a ton gives $540,000.

Low Round Trip Rates Via Atlantic Coast Line.

Mobile, Ala.—$33.20 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. On payment of 50 cents an extension of limit to March 5th may be secured.

Pensacola, Fla.—$22.70 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at Pensacola and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be obtained.

New Orleans, La.—$25.35 on account of Mardi Gras. Tickets on sale February 9th to 15th, inclusive, with final limit returning February 20th. By depositing ticket at New Orleans and on payment of 50 cents additional an extension of final limit to March 5th can be secured. W. J. CRAIG, † General Passenger Agent.

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One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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— First Man—Yes, I'll do any work at all that's honorable. Second Man—Gracious! Have you got so low as that?—*Life.*

— Mrs. Bixby—Mother says that she is going to die and join father. Bixby—I wish there was some way to give your father warning.—*Town Topics.*

— Attorney: Why did you look at me instead of at the jury? Witness: Because I left my hat on that table and it's a new one.—*Chicago Daily News.*

— Mr. X—That girl keeps fidgeting around all the time. Why don't she keep still? His Wife—She can't. There's a mirror on each side of her. —*Detroit Free Press.*

— Uncle Josh: I see the stock market was raided yesterday, Uncle Silas: It was, eh? Well, I thought it was putty near time for the police to interfere.—*Puck*

— "Some men," said the quoter, "are born great, some achieve greatness—" "And the great majority," interrupted the cynic, "believe they come under both of these heads."—*Phil. Ledger.*

— Querist—Doesn't it worry you a good deal that so many of your patients die on your hands? Young Doctor—Worry me? Why should it? Think of the experience I am getting.—*Boston Transcript.*

— "Why, Doctor," protested the indignant female, "you evidently believe that women haven't any brains." "On the contrary, madam," replied the gruff M. D., "I have actually seen them at autopsies."—*Chicago News.*

— Bridget—The butcher's wagon's at the door, mum. Mrs. Housekeep—Ah! has he got pig's feet? Bridget—How kin Oi tell, mum? Shure, 'tis too cold fur him to be goin' barefooted this weather.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— At Chatham last week, Sam Watson, a negro charged with the murder of Ed. Headen, was found guilty in the second degree and sentenced to twenty-five years imprisonment.

— "I have never borrowed a dollar in my life," said the man who had lived fifty years without having a wrinkle on his brow. "Well, that may be commendable," replied the thoughtful-looking citizen, "but it isn't likely to make you a historical character."—*Chicago Record.*.

— "The new cook comes with fine recommendations," said Mr. Bliggins. "Yes," answered his wife, "they sound as if the people she was with thought a great deal of her, or else that they were willing to do or say almost anything in the hope of getting rid of her."—*Washington Star.*

Henry Ward Beecher's Wit.

On one occasion as Mr. Beecher was in the midst of an impassioned speech some one attempted to interrupt him by suddenly crowing like a cock. The orator, however, was equal to the occasion. He stopped, listened till the crowing ceased, and then, with a look of surprise, pulled out his watch. "Morning already!" he said. "My watch is only at 10. But there can be no mistake about it. The instincts of the lower animals are infallible."

There was a roar of laughter. The "lower animals" in the gallery collapsed, and Mr. Beecher was able to resume as if nothing had occurred.

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Trees and Grass.

Greater New York has eighty-one parks, each exceeding one acre in area.

Forestry preservation is the first essential in protecting the watersheds of the country.

The killing of shade trees by trolley wires is the subject of a bulletin by the Hatch experiment station of Massachusetts.

It is said that large numbers of autumn leaves are gathered and "preserved" by a gelatinous coating for the use of the milliners.

According to Dr. Van Deman, the pecan does not do well in the eastern states. Something about the climatic changes does not agree with it.

Hickory nuts should be planted in the fall of the year before the meat in the shells has become dry. They may be stratified in damp sand if preferred.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 9.—Cotton: Spot, moderate business done; American middling fair 7¾d; good middling 7.18d; middling 7.08d; low middling 7.02d; good ordinary 6.92d; ordinary 6.72d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,400 bales American. Receipts 6,400 bales, including 500 bales American.

Futures closed barely steady; American middling (g o c): February and March 6.91d; March and April 6.92d; April and May 6.93d; May and June 6.94d; June and July 6.93d; July and August 6.92d; August and September 6.76d; September and October 6.16d; October and November 5.87d.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Schr Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Warner, Ponce, Porto Rico, J T Riley & Co.

CLEARED.

British schooner Lillie, Davis, Kingston, Jamaica, J T Riley & Co.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA—British schr Lillie, 248,161 feet pitch pine lumber, valued at $3,687; 207,825 cypress shingles, valued at $1,240; cargo by Kidder Lumber Co; vessel by J T Riley & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 9.

STEAMERS.

Toloss, (Br) 2,099 tons, Holttum, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Warner, J T Riley & Co.

Harold J McCarty, 251 tons, Flynn, C D Maffitt.

Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, J T Riley & Co.

Rachel W Stevens, 1,032 tons, Stevens, C D Maffitt.

Ralph M Hayward, 529 tons, Trimm, C D Maffitt.

Brine P Pendleton, 821 tons, Hutchinson, C D Maffitt.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, C D Maffitt.

C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Maffitt.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—8 casks spirits turpentine, 21 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—172 bales cotton, 5 barrels rosin, 12 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—595 bales cotton, 71 barrels tar, 60 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—1 bale cotton.

W. & N. Railroad—2 casks spirits turpentine, 59 barrels rosin, 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Highlander—100 barrels rosin.

Schooner H. & V. Royal—1 barrel rosin.

Total—771 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 165 barrels rosin, 104 barrels tar, 60 barrels crude turpentine.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing of the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, February 8.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel bid for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for hard, $4.25 for dip, $4.25 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 62c; rosin firm at $1.70@1.75 bid; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.20, 3.75@3.75.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	10
Rosin	165
Tar	104
Crude turpentine	66

Receipts same day last year—17 casks spirits turpentine, 1,258 barrels rosin, 345 barrels tar, 18 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Nothing doing.

Same day last year, market firm at 8⅛c for middling.

Receipts—771 bales; same day last year, 400.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 80c; extra prime, 85c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, $1.00.

CORN—Firm; 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Money on call easy at 1¾@2 per cent; closing bid 1¾ per cent., offered at 2; time loans were firmer; sixty days 4@4¼ per cent.; ninety days 4¼@4½ per cent.; six months 4½@4¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5¼ per ct. Sterling exchange was firmer, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485.75 for demand and at 483 for sixty-day bills. The posted rates were 483½ and 486@486½. Commercial bills 482½. Bar silver 56½. Mexican dollars 43. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104½; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 104½; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 106; do. coupon, ex int, 106; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132½; do. coupons, 132½; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107; U. S. 4's, old coupon, 107; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do. coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 112½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd —; Chesapeake & Ohio 31¼; Manhattan L 140½; New York Central 115½; Reading 41¼; do. 1st preferred 78½; do. 2nd preferred 56; Southern Railway 20½; do. pref'd 80½; Amalgamated Copper 43⅝; People's Gas 97½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 35½; U. S. Leather 7; U. S. Leather, preferred, 75½; Western Union 86½; U. S. Steel 10½; do. preferred 55½; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 27½; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed —; sales — shares. Standard Oil 635.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Rosin dull. Strained common to good $2 65@3 00. Spirits turpentine steady at 66½@67c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 8.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 8.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 62½c; receipts 157 casks; sales 79 casks; exports 60 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 2,055 barrels; sales 1,418 barrels; exports 2,812 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 80; D, $2 80; E, $1 85; F, $2 90; G, $2 95; H, $2 95; I, $3 20; K, $3 25; M, $3 30; N, $3 35; W G, $3 60; W W, $4 00@4 05.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—While the serious news from the Far East had naturally a depressing influence, the relative firmness at Liverpool caused a somewhat firmer opening in the cotton market to-day and first prices were eleven to twenty-five points higher on the active months. Following this there was a further advance, carrying May up to 14 35 and July to 14 40, a net gain of thirty-eight to forty-one points, but toward the end of the first half hour there was tremendous selling from outside sources and the market in less than ten minutes had broken nearly a full cent from the best point of the morning. Around 11 o'clock the most sensational changes of this season occurred. May, which sold down to 13.50, jumped to 13.80 and broke to 13.14, while July, which had been depressed to 13.50, rallied to 13.82 and then broke to 13.19—all inside of twenty minutes. Around midday the market rallied. March had declined to 12.41, May 13.02 and July 13.08, this being a net loss from the best prices of the morning of from one hundred and nineteen to one hundred and thirty-three points. At this level there was considerable covering and by 1 o'clock the market had recovered to about last Saturday's closing prices. It was reported that the advance had been partially due to anxiety to make the one o'clock or margin prices as favorable as possible. Later there was another moderate down turn under liquidation by buyers on the early break, but in the late trading there was aggressive bull buying and the market was finally steady at a net decline of nine and thirty-five points. The day's sales were estimated at 700,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Cotton quiet at 14.25c; net receipts — bales; gross receipts 3,934 bales; stock 74,586 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 125 points lower; middling uplands 14.25; middling gulf 14.50c; sales 2,500 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 13.29, March 13.45, April 13.62, May 13.78, June 13.85, July 13.90, August 13.30, September 12.30, October 11.55, December 11.05.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 20,309 bales; exports to Great Britain 49 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 5,913 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 713,294 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 45,020 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,801 bales; exports to France 50 bales; exports to the Continent 11,586 bales; exports to Japan 974 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,146,350 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,831,966 bales; exports to France 602,873 bales; exports to the Continent 2,132,443 bales; exports to Japan 35,733 bales; exports to Mexico 22,073 bales.

Feb 8.—Galveston, nominal at —c, net receipts 6,158 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 1,600 bales; Baltimore, nominal at —c, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 15.50, net receipts 37 bales; Wilmington, nominal at —, net receipts 600 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 14.80c, net receipts 1,757 bales; Savannah, quiet at 13¾, net receipts 2,609 bales; New Orleans, nominal at —c, net receipts 8,576 bales; Mobile, steady at 14, net receipts 327 bales; Memphis, nominal at —, net receipts 1,814 bales; Augusta, nominal at —c, net receipts 779 bales; Charleston, nominal, net receipts 34 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Flour was quiet. Rye flour firm. Wheat—Spot irregular; No. 2 red 96c. Options—There was a sensational break in New York at the opening to day under heavy profit-taking. The close was fairly steady at ½@1c net decline: May closed 95⅛c; July closed 89½c; September 83c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 58½c. The option market developed extreme weakness on heavy Western selling: May closed 58½c; July closed —c. Oats—Spot easy; No. 2 48c. Lard steady; Western steam $7 80; refined steady. Pork steady. Butter firm; extra creamery 24c; State dairy 14@20c. Cheese—Market was steady; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12; late made 10½; small white, September 12; late made 10½. Eggs firmer; State and Pennsylvania nearby average, finest 33c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5½c; other domestic 3½@6c. Potatoes firm; Long Island $3 25@3 50; Jerseys $2 75@3 25; Jersey sweets $1 50@3 75; State and Western sacks $2 65@2 75. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $20 00@35 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Tallow dull. Molasses firm. Rice steady. Sugar—Raw firm; refined steady. Cotton seed oil was firm but in only moderate demand: Prime summer yellow 37½@38c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Heavy liquidation demoralized the grain markets, notwithstanding the severance of diplomatic relations between Russia and Japan. Corn and oats were especially weak; May corn declined 3 cents and May oats 3½c. from the high points. Wheat recovered partially from the break, closing at about Saturday's price, but May corn showed a loss of 1½c. and oats 2¼@2½c. Provisions were firm, the May product closing unchanged to 10c. higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Cash prices: Flour—Market steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No. 3 spring 80@91c; No. 2 red 93@97. Corn—No. 2 49c; No. 2 yellow 49c. Oats—No. 2 39½@39⅞c; No. 3 white 38½@44½c. Rye—No. 2 60c. Mess pork, per bbl., $13 50@13 62½. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 35@7 37½. Short rib sides, loose, $6 50@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, not reported. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 75@6 87½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 94½@95, 93⅝, 94c; July 85½@85⅝, 85⅝, 83½, 84⅝c; September 80@80½, 80½, 78⅞, 80@80½. Corn—No. 2 February 49c; May 54½@55, 55, 52, 52⅞c; July 52½@52½, 52½, 50½, 50⅞c. Oats—No. 2 February 39⅝c; May 44½@44¾, 44¾, 41½, 41⅞c; July 39⅝@39½, 39½, 37½, 37⅞c; September 33½, 33½, 33, 33⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $13 75, 13 90, 13 60, 13 67½. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $7 65, 7 67½, 7 52½, 7 52½; July $7 70, 7 72½, 7 55, 7 60. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 85, 6 60, 6 17, 6 82½; July $7 00, 7 02½, 6 92½, 6 97½.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Coffee—Spot Rio nominal; No. 7 invoice steady. Market for coffee futures opened irregular at a decline of 60@80 points under continued liquidation by cotton exchange houses. Later early sellers became buyers and the market recovered about half the early loss but eased off again and closed with the prices showing a net loss of 60@70 points. Sales 336,000 bags.

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Nothing benefits my children more when they are troubled with colds or irritation of the throat and lungs than a few doses of Cheney's Expectorant. This remedy has always been a loyal friend to me.

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Ever have itching piles?

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The constant itching sensation.

Hard to bear, harder to get relief.

Spoils your temper, nearly drives you crazy.

Isn't relief and cure a long-felt want?

You can have relief and cure if you will follow the advice of a local citizen.

C. S. Hollen, printer on the "Morning Messenger," residing at 419 Grace street, says: "I had used several remedies to get relief from itching piles but without any good results. Learning of Doan's Ointment I obtained it at Bellamy's drug store. It acted immediately and proved so effective that I am entirely cured of the affliction. I found it to be an excellent remedy.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 996,214 30
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		545 02
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173,800 00
Stocks, securities, etc		32,000 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		93,453 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers		133,817 94
Due from approved reserve agents		107.086 35
Notes of other National Banks	$3,500 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,951 03	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$20.500 00	
Legal tender notes	$81,000 00	—$106,951 03
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		5,400 00
Total		$1,803,768 09

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	70,137 87	—195,137 87
National Bank notes outstanding		125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	182,727 36	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	250,460 72	
Dividends unpaid	413 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	730,539 18	
Cashiers checks outstanding	20,689 96	
United States deposits	173,800 00	1,358,630 22
Total		$1,803,768 09

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November, 1903.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
C. W. YATES,
WM. CALDER, } Directors.
D. MCEACHERN,

jan 26 tf

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6 in. 4 Tobacco, 18 cts lb.
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Schnapps, 36 cts lb.
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For Sale,

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SEALED PROPOSALS.

Sealed proposals for the lease of the Academy of Music for a period of 5 years, beginning June 1st, 1904, and ending June 1st, 1909, will be received at the office of the City Clerk and Treasurer at the City Hall in the City of Wilmington, N. C., until February 13th, at 12 o'clock M.; at which time said bids will be opened and the lease awarded to the highest bidder.

No proposals will be considered unless deposited with the City Clerk and Treasurer by the time aforesaid.

All proposals must be sealed and endorsed thereon with the name of the bidder.

The bid must state the annual rental.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

The City of Wilmington agrees at its own expense to install an efficient heating system in the house and to also make some other improvements, among them being the ceiling of the house and changing and alterating the proscenium boxes and arches, etc. All of the work to be completed not later than September 15th, 1904.

All bids must be addressed to

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Genuine Houlton Early Rose,

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Early Ohio, Pride of the South.

Call on or write to

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Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of New Hanover county, in the case of Joseph Turner and Emma Turner vs. Whi field Turner and Richard Turner, the undersigned commissioner will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1904 at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, the following property: Beginning in the northern line of Campbell street 41¼ feet west of the western line of Eighth street, runs thence west with the northern line of Campbell street 41¼ feet; thence north parallel with Eighth street 66 feet; thence east parallel with Campbell street 41¼ feet; thence south parallel with Eighth street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 52.

T. E. BROWN, Commissioner.

feb 2 30t.

Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county made in a special proceeding pending therein between Edgar Miller and wife, Nancy Miller, Olivias Waddell and Sophie Miller, plaintiffs, and John Rhew alias John Miller and Lucy Rhew alias Lucy Miller, defendants, the undersigned Commissioner will expose for sale, to the highest bidder for cash, on Monday, the 8th of February, 1904, at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, the following described property: Beginning at the southeast corner of block 284 runs thence westwardly with the line of the north side of Fanning street 82½ feet; thence north and parallel with Anderson street 66 feet; thence East parallel with Fanning street 92½ feet; thence south along the said line on Anderson street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 284.

jan 7 4w th sa T. E BROWN, Commissioner.

Rates for Sewer Service

Water Closets	50 cts per quarter, each
Kitchen Sinks	50 cts per quarter, each
Bath Tubs	50 cts per quarter, each
Fixed Wash Basins	25 cts per quarter, each
Fixed Laundry Tubs	50c per quarter, per set

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Murchison National Bank,

of Wilmington, N. C.,

At close of business Jan. 22, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1890.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,690,218 50	Capital	$ 300,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	350,000 00	Surplus and net profits	113,941 46
Bank Building	99,500 00	Circulation	900,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	683 768 89	Deposits	1,590,436 33
	$2,123,477 79		$2,133,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits,

Jan. 22nd, 1903, $657,506 78. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,304,819 99 Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,520,436 33.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

jan 26 tf

Statement of

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

108 Princess Street.

At close of business January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from Report to State Corporation Commission.)

ASSETS.			LIABILITIES.		
Loans and Discounts		$16,850.15	Capital	$ 25,000.00	
Cash on hand and due from banks		218 550 57	Net Surplus	77,474.63	1,102,474.63
Real estate	1,000.00		Deposits		1,034,838.09
Furniture and Fixtures	$2.00	1,002.00			
Total		$1,137,332.72	Total		$1,1 37,302.7

OFFICERS:

J. W. NORWOOD, President, H. WALTERS, Vice President

C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

H. Walters, J. V. Grainger, J. W. Yates, N. B. Rankin, D. O Conner, Donald MacRae, H. L. Voliers, J. W. Norwood, C. E Taylor, Jr. jan 26 tf.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— The North Carolina Society of Savannah, Ga., was organized there Saturday night with sixty members.

— The new machinery which doubles the capacity of Lumberton Cotton Mills was put in operation Saturday.

— The smallpox situation at Lumberton is much improved. No new cases have been reported and those suffering from it are convalescent.

— T. C. Bowie, Esq., of Ashe county, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination to succeed Congressman Theo. F. Kluttz in the Eighth District. The Democrats of his county are for him.

— The application has been made for corporation papers for the Salem Excelsior Company, which will manufacture excelsior and wooden wool. Mr. Ralph Siewers is promoter of the enterprise and the management will be in his hands.

— The board of trade and industry of Lumberton has taken steps to install a cotton seed oil mill and it is expected that by next season a well-equipped mill will be in operation.

—— An electric fire alarm whistle has been installed by order of the town commissioners.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: North Carolina men lead wherever they go. In the Richmond College course of lectures. Dr. J. Rufus Hunter will lecture on Liquid Air, with experiments, and Dr. Wm. L. Foushee will lecture on Pompeii. Dr. Foushee spent last Summer studying in Pompeii.

— The Farmers' Co-operative Stock Company was organized in Winston-Salem on Saturday with a paid in capital of $12,000. The subscriptions taken aggregated more stock than was needed and a motion was adopted not to allow any one to take more than $500 in stock. The company will build a two-story brick house. It was decided to rent a store room and begin business at once.

— The Bulletin of the North Carolina Board of Health reports for December measles in seven counties; whooping cough in twenty-one; scarlatina in eleven; diphtheria in thirty-one; typhoid fever in twenty-seven; influenza in twelve; pneumonia in fifteen, and smallpox in twenty-five. No diseases were reported in Camden, Catawba, Dare, Johnston, Pasquotank and Wayne. Twenty-eight counties report a death rate of 13.8 for whites and 22.9 for colored, with a total rate of 17.6 per 1,000 of population. In the detailed mortuary report no deaths are reported in Lenoir and Lexington, while Greensboro shows the highest rate, this being a rate of 38 per 1,000, Wadesboro having 35.3 and Tarboro 33.6 per 1,000, Raleigh coming in at 23 5 per 1,000.

— At Wilkesboro, on Friday, Nelson Dola was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for manslaughter. He killed Ves Allen. The State failed to make a case against Sol Benge, Ida Benge and Catherine Bangus, charged with murdering and placing Sarah Benge, Sol Benge's daughter, in Hoats Brothers' mill pond. The father is yet in jail on the charge of incest. Sol Benge married Ida Bangus about six months prior to the alleged homicide. About three months ago Catherine Bangus, one of the prisoners, then in jail, swore out a warrant against Jim Bangus, upon whom the State was relying to make out its case, and since that time he has been confined in jail in the same cell with defendants, and the consequence was he refused to testify against defendants, and thus the case took a sudden and sensational turn.

— State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. Y. Joyner, at Raleigh, on Saturday, gave out the following information regarding the apportionment of the second $100,000: "The appportionment of the second $100,000 for a four months school has been completed with the exception of Chatham and Stokes counties, which are delayed for additional information. The aggregate amount is about $93,000 to fifty-eight counties asking for aid. The smallest amount apportioned to any county is $232.29. The largest amount is about $4,000. Some of the amounts seem larger, but the facts show that the cost per child for a four months' school in the counties receiving the largest amount from the second $100,000 is still considerably less than the cost per child for a four months' school in most of the counties receiving no aid from this fund. This would indicate that the large amount needed from the second $100,000 in these counties for a four months' school are rendered necessary by a small county school fund and a large school population in proportion to the fund, rather than by any extravagence in the use of the available funds."

— Charlotte had quite a severe storm, accompanied by lightning and thunder, on Sunday afternoon. The wind reached a velocity of 65 miles and the average was from 40 to 50 miles an hour. Considerable damage was done to property, trees were uprooted and barns blown down. The new grand stand, at the race track, which was erected two years ago at a cost of $3,500, was blown down, crushing with the weight of the heavy timbers 18 horses belonging to Fuller & Sells, of Greensboro, who are general agents for companies that supply well fixtures. The loss will be heavy to the owners of the horses, Mr. W. A. Fuller and Mr. J. B. Sells. They had proposed to locate in Charlotte, or at least to make it their headquarters. So far as can be ascertained now they will lose five horses, and others are seriously, if not mortally hurt. The heaviest financial loss falls on the Mecklenburg Fair Association, which owned the grand stand. It is a total loss, and its insurance policy does not cover the damage done by the storm.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had consumption, and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery, and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

THE DAHLIA FAD.

Somebody Is Going to Make Money Originating New Varieties.

The first exhibition of the New Bedford Horticultural society, New Bedford, Mass., was a decided success. There were some very fine groups of decorative plants, a few asters, sweet peas, gladioli, etc., but it was practically a dahlia show, writes a correspondent to Gardening. The people had eyes for nothing but dahlias. Several dahlia specialists from out of town brought in grand collections, especially fine in the cactus section, which opened the eyes of some of the flower growers here. Our florists have not paid much attention to growing dahlias, considering them coarse, common flowers not worth bothering with. But after seeing such noble flowers and delicate colors as were shown here this year and after finding that there are hundreds of flower cranks looking for the new and choice varieties and willing to pay good prices for them some converts have been made and the importance of the dahlia felt.

There promises to be a dahlia craze throughout the country. Somebody is going to make money originating new varieties. The people are always wanting something new. When things get common they lose their interest in them. Time was when everybody was crazy over chrysanthemums. Is there not a fine chance for any number of intelligent and enterprising florists to exercise their brains and skill in originating new varieties in all kinds of plants that the people can grow? The lesson, then, to be learned from this first show of the New Bedford Horticultural society is to cultivate dahlias and also cultivate flower cranks.

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Dr. Walter A. Taylor, Atlanta, Ga.

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(Signed) HENRY W. GRADY.

Atlanta, Ga., May 23, 1887.

Haltiwanger-Taylor Drug Co., Prop., Atlanta, Ga.

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YOUR HAT

May Be a Stylish One, But It Makes Trouble.

A man usually buys a hat that's "in style," but the modern hat for men has lots to answer for.

Baldheads are growing more numerous every day. Hats make excellent breeding places for the parasitic germs which sap the life from the roots of the hair.

When your hair begins to fall out and your scalp is full of Dandruff it is a sure sign that these countless germs are busily at work.

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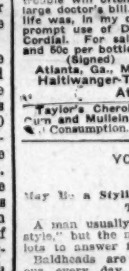

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By virtue of the provisions of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by George H. James to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, recorded in Book No. 33, page 674, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover County in Wilmington on the 8th day of February, 1904, the following described lot of land in said city: Beginning at a point in the Eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Wooster street, runs thence east parallel with Wooster street 55 feet, thence South parallel with Seventh street 66 feet; thence West parallel with Wooster street 55 feet; thence north with the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet to the beginning.

WILMINGTON HOMESTEAD & LOAN ASSOCIATION, by

jan 17 30t JOHN D. BELLAMY, Attorney.

Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Passg'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Passg'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	5 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 52	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Effective October 21st, 1903.

LEAVE.

Wilmington.	Wrightsville for Wil.	Beach.
*† 7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
*6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.

†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach

FREIGHT.

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Atlantic Trust and Banking Company,

Wilmington, N. C.

At close of business, January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from report to Corporation Commission. Began business September, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$384,958 54	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00	Undivided profits	12,339 41
Cash on hand and in Banks	19,936 93	Deposits	342,702 06
Total	$404,995 47	Total	$404,995 47

MATT J. HEYER, President. B. H. J. AHRENS, Vice President

MITCHELL F. ALLEN, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

L. B. Rogers, B. Solomon, B. H. J. Ahrens, R. R. Bellamy, Martin O'Brien, I. M. Bear, John H. Kuck, D. McEachern, C. W. Yates, J. G. L. Gieschen, Matt J. Heyer. jan 26 tf

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Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 42	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 20 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 01 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 38 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 52 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 59 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 23 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 00 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 26 a m	11 23 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 01 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 01 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 28 p m	2 01 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	8 00 a m	3 20 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	4 30 p m	8 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 00 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	6 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	9 05 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	8 15 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 40 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 6 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar 4 05 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2 25 p m	Ar 12 32 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

Trains Nos. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penns R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m. arrive Lumberton 5:30 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:25 p m arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 9:15 a m, Pembroke 9:55 a m, Maxton 4:05 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:05 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:35 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 55 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	12 30 p m	7 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 30 p m	8 31 a m
Ar Athens	3 50 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	7 05 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 00 a m
Ar Savannah	2 30 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 35 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	6 50 a m	
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 50 a m	
Ar Norlina	3 25 a m	1 30 p m	
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 30 p m	
Ar Norfolk			
Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m	
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 56 a m	
Ar Norlina	3 25 a m	1 30 p m	
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 50 p m	
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	8 36 p m	
Ar Baltimore	11 32 p m	11 25 p m	
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 10 p m	

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SOUTHBOUND.

Lv New York	12 55 p m
Lv Jersey City	1 12 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 55 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	3 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (E. T.)	7 20 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	7 30 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m
Ar Thalmann	11 24 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 20 p m
Lv Thalmann	3 07 P M
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	8 30 p m
Lv Columbia (E. T.)	9 25 p m
Lv Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 50 p m
Ar Southern Pines	12 45 p m
Lv Raleigh	3 40 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 9.

WAR MOVEMENTS IN THE FAR EAST.

Russia Says Her Love of Peace Has Been Exhausted by Japan's Demands.

RUMORS OF AN ENGAGEMENT.

Russian Troops Concentrating at Yalu River—A Japanese Squadron Waiting to Intercept Russian Ships Coming from Europe.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 8.—An advance detachment of Russian cavalry is leaving Mukden for Corea.

The telegram from Mukden announcing the departure of the cavalry adds: "Russia's love of peace has been exhausted by Japan's demands. Troops, therefore, have been concentrated at the Yalu river. The Russian troops are in the best of spirits. The Japanese everywhere are hurrying homeward."

The Mukden dispatch repeats the rumor that a Japanese squadron is off Wei-Hai-Wei, on the north coast of the Shan Tung peninsula, with the object of intercepting Russian ships coming from Europe.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The State Department has received a cablegram from the American legation at Seoul, to the effect that it is reported Japanese warships have arrived off Masampho, but that telegraphic communication has been cut off and it is impossible to confirm the report.

Secretary Moody has received a cablegram from Lieutenant Commander Marsh, the American naval attache at Tokio, announcing the departure of a naval division from Japanese waters for Chemulgo, Corea.

The Chinese Court.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—In a dispatch from Tien Tsin, a correspondent there of the *Standard* says a Russian force is reported at Kalgan (in Pechili province, 110 miles northwest of Pekin and near the Great Wall), and that preparations are being made for the flight of the Chinese court and the removal of the imperial treasure, as it is feared that Russia will descend upon Pekin.

Fighting Expected.

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—A dispatch to the Cologne *Gazette*, from Vienna, says Admiral Baron von Spaun, commander-in-chief of the Austrian navy, has received a dispatch from the commander of the Austrian legation guard at Pekin, to the effect that Japan has embarked her regiments of guards and two army divisions on forty steamers.

The dispatch added that a Russian cruiser division had sailed from Port Arthur and that fighting was expected hourly.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The Che Foo correspondent of the *Daily Mail* cables that sixty Japanese transports are landing troops at various ports in Corea, from Masampho and Fusan on the south to Kunsan, Mokpho and Chemulpo on the west.

Seoul is to be occupied, and the landing is being covered by the torpedo division. The main body of the Japanese fleet the correspondent concludes, will sail in the direction of Port Arthur.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—In a dispatch from Tokio a correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says the *Jiji Shimpo* has received a telegram from Fusan, Corea, declaring that the firing of guns was heard to the east of Koje island, about 25 miles southwest of Kusan, at 8 o'clock Saturday morning.

IN THE SENATE AND HOUSE.

Panama Canal Treaty Discussed—Lewis and Clark Exposition—St. Louis Exposition Loan Debated in House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—After listening to speeches by Mr. Hepburn and Mr. Clay in support of the Panama canal treaty, the Senate to-day took up and passed the bill granting assistance to the proposed Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland, Oregon. The bill was amended so as to close the exposition on Sundays.

Mr. Clay announced his intention to vote for the canal treaty, but at the same time sharply criticised the conduct of the administration in its dealing with the situation in Panama. He announced his conviction that there had been a flagrant violation of international law, but said that in the face of the President's disclaimer he would not bring himself to believe that the United States had promoted the secession of Panama. He confessed that on the showing made by the diplomatic correspondence he would have been compelled to cast his vote against the treaty, but the President's explanation, coupled with his great desire to have a canal built and the deep concern felt throughout the South for the consummation of that enterprise, had overcome his objections.

House of Representatives.

The House to-day considered the proposed loan of $4,600,000 to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis as provided for in the Senate amendment to the Urgent Deficiency bill. It was the subject of extended debate and was still pending when the House adjourned. The House nonconcurred in all other amendments except that providing for coal tests at the St. Louis fair. Among those who opposed the loan were Messrs. Underwood, of Alabama, and Bartlett, of Georgia.

A bill was introduced by Representative Emrich, of Illinois, appropriating $1,000,000 for the relief of sufferers from the Baltimore fire.

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A runaway, almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, of Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally as good for Burns, Bruises, Skin Eruptions and Piles. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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Seventy-five Blocks and Nearly Two Thousand Five Hundred Buildings Destroyed.

RAGED TWENTY-EIGHT HOURS

Loss Estimated at Over Two Hundred Million Dollars--No Loss of Life Reported—Firemen from Other Cities Aided Baltimore.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE Feb. 7.—The most destructive conflagration in the history of Baltimore occurred here to-day in the wholesale dry goods business district, raging practically unchecked during many hours, completely destroying scores of the largest business houses in the wholesale district, involving losses which cannot be estimated.

The fire broke out shortly before 11 o'clock this morning in the wholesale dry goods store of John T. Hurst & Co., on Hopkins' place, in the heart of the business district, with a series of loud explosions, which were heard in remote parts of the city, and spread with fearful rapidity. In half an hour there were a dozen big warehouses in the wholesale dry goods and notions district burning fiercely. The entire fire department was called out, but was utterly powerless to check the spread of the flames, which were aided by the high winds, and by noon there were savage fires in at least 30 big warehouses, and the conflagration was steadily eating its way into successive blocks, east, north, west and south. On Baltimore street, the blocks between Liberty and Sharp streets was soon ablaze, then came the next block east to Hanover and after that the block on the south side to Charles street broke out into flames, the Consolidated Gas Company's building and Oehm's Acme Hall burning fiercely.

Meanwhile there were stores north of Baltimore street being similarly consumed. Mullin's Hotel caught and other buildings near it caught, West of Liberty street, on the south side of Baltimore street, the block was doomed, and the big Bargain house also caught. Down in Hopkins place, where the conflagration started, Hurst's building and other wholesale houses on both sides of the street crumbled and fell.

The big dry goods houses of Daniel Miller & Sons, and R. M. Sutton & Co. were soon aflame, and along German street, east and west, from the Hurst building—there were a dozen buildings burning.

Mass & Kemper's big wholesale store, on Baltimore street, quickly succumbed to the flames. On the Hopkins place the Hopkins Savings Bank and the National Exchange Bank were gutted by the flames. Across the street were the ruins of John E. Hurst & Co., and next to it Hecht, Jr., & Sons were in flames.

All these buildings were swept away by the flames, and the whole block was nothing but a cauldron of fire.

At 3 o'clock a tremendous explosion of about 150 barrels of whiskey stored in the upper floors of No. 24 Hanover street hurled tons of burning matter across the street onto the roofs of the buildings opposite which the firemen were drenching with water in a vain hope to make Hanover street the eastern boundary line of the conflagration. Here an engine was buried by a falling wall, the firemen fleeing for their lives.

The whole city was notified of the conflagration by a terrific explosion, which occurred some minutes after 11 o'clock. A sharp, spitting roar went up with reverberating thunder. This was followed by a peculiar whistling noise like that made by a shrill wind. The churches in the central part of the city were filled with worshippers, many of whom became frightened, and, while no panics ensued, hundreds of men and women went outside to see what had happened. In a few moments the streets and pavements all over the city were crowded with excited people. Another deafening crash occurred, and dense columns of cinders and smoke shot up over the central section of the city, and in a huge brown column moved rapidly toward the northeast. Borne on the strong southeast wind the column of smoke, blazing cinders and even pieces of tin roofing spread over the centre of the city, and a rain of cinders fell, compelling pedestrians to dodge red hot pieces of wood.

Soon after the explosion the chiefs of the fire departments of Washington, Philadelphia and Wilmington were wired for assistance. A special train brought the Washington engines at once. All the fire apparatus of the city, the suburbs and the county was pressed into the fight. A gallant stand was made at the first, but the flames won and swept across to destroy other stores. Dynamite was tried and twenty buildings were mined and blown up in the effort to stop the fire, but in vain. The loss, at 8 P. M., is estimated at somewhere between $80,000,000 and 50,000,000, making it one of the biggest fires in the history of the world.

Though every bit of fire-fighting apparatus in the city was called into requisition the flames continued to spread, and at 10 o'clock six engines arrived from Washington and four from Philadelphia. It is roughly estimated that there were 350 hose playing on different parts of the conflagration at the same time.

THE SITUATION MONDAY.

Conflagration Raged Until Late in the Afternoon—Residence Portion of the City Escaped.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 8.—Baltimore is staggering to-night under a fire loss which no one has the temerity to put in figures. The important commercial district is in blackened ruins, laid bare by a conflagration which raged without a momentary check from 10:45 A. M., yesterday until late in the afternoon to-day. At 3 o'clock to-day the flames were under control. They had raged twenty-eight hours, in spite of almost superhuman efforts put forth by the best fighting forces which more than half a dozen cities were able to muster. The residence section of the city escaped. This phase of the situation relieved the officials from any thought other than the saving of property.

The flames were held in check at the Union Docks and prevented from leaping Jones Falls and placing the entire city east of there in jeopardy. A score of times flames of fire were found lapping the sides of lumber piles on the east bank of the Falls. Heroic measures stayed the onsweep of the fire.

Throughout the terrible contest in which firemen and fire waged for supremacy, humanity was handicapped by a gale which carried burning brands far over the heads of the workers and beyond the reach of the hundreds of streams of water poured into the raging furnaces. But for the work of volunteers in seeking out and extinguishing these embers, it is almost certain the burned area would have been twice larger than it is. About seventy-five squares, or 140 acres, are in ashes, extending from Lexington street on the north to Pratt street on the south, from Liberty street on the west to Jones' Falls on the east.

Insurance companies have opened temporary offices in the Lexington Hotel, but their representatives decline to estimate the loss. The answer of one is typical of all: "Its too big. We have not figures to describe it. Make it above one hundred million. That's the best we can do." The same indecision was shown in regard to estimates concerning insurance.

The city was early placed under martial law and thus all danger of looting in the doomed district was removed. Word was received to-night that General Corbin, of New York, would be here to-morrow to take command of the Federal troops. The presence of two regiments of militia as an adjunct to the police, which were augmented by details from Philadelphia and Washington, resulted in the maintenance of the best of order.

No one dares to guess what would have happened if the flames had jumped Jones' Falls. The struggle to-night had been with the one end of confining the fire to the west side of the muddy little stream. That this effort was successful is merely the result of the fire burning itself out and coming in contact in front with the concentrated labors of nearly a hundred fire companies, aided by the powerful fire tug, the Cataract. Again and again the terrible heat, driven from the burning district across Jones' Falls, ignited buildings and lumber piles. Furious hand-to hand fights occurred, which fortunately for the residents of East Baltimore were won by the firemen. For several hours in the lumber district of the east side volunteers watched every ember. Bucket brigades were formed to prevent the destructive leap of the flames across the narrow stream. Had the fire gained a foothold in the east side lumber yards, it is conceded nothing could have stopped the onslaught and the department would have been powerless to prevent damage as great, if not greater, than that of the Chicago fire.

Dynamite explosions have been constant to-day. The programme adopted last night of blowing up buildings in an attempt to stay the progress of the flames was continued until the fire was under control. Then the dynamiters turned their attention to razing tottering walls which threatened to collapse. The result was almost constant cannonading and the detonating was heard in all parts of the city.

With the fire under control the blackened waste which lies in the wake of the sea of flames, presents a view terrible in its pyrotechnic grandeur. It can be likened best to oceans of great coke ovens, each shooting out its thousand tongues of flames from pyramids of brick, stone and cement. Where the fire has died out nothing remains but waste, from which rise hundred of towering insecure shafts of the same color. These are all that is left of what were once handsome office buildings, storage, wholesale and business houses of all kinds.

The loss will not be accurately estimated for weeks, for business men, prosperous yesterday morning, are poor to-day. Expressions heard among these men as they peer into their collapsed properties reveal an astounding number who were only poorly protected with insurance.

At 12:30 o'clock the northern limits of the fire had travelled from Fayette street to Eastern avenue. At this point half a dozen fire companies were fighting from the rear, while other companies were flanking on the Jones Falls and the Liberty street borders. Sandwiches and coffee were served from drays, and coal was fed to the engines from vehicles no larger. Many of the men were almost famished from their long and dangerous detail and the hot food was a godsend. Every bridge over Jones' Falls held a score of firemen and not infrequently they were compelled to turn their attention from the towering piers to put out flames on the floor between them and deep water. Both banks of Jones' Falls were lined with lumber yards and piles on one side were blazing constantly.

The President street station of the P. W. and B. railroad is used as barracks for the militia, which is enforcing martial law. The building caught fire a number of times, and whenever a door was opened a shower of sparks was carried inside. In front the lumber piles furnished tinder for the flames which were ever creeping forward, yet the men who had been pacing the streets all night lay in sleep brought on only by exhaustion. Residents and business men of the east side are not fully assured of their safety and through every window may be seen anxious, affrighted faces. Moving vans, push carts, and vehicles of all kinds fill the streets carrying household effects and valuables to other sections.

Colonel J. Frank Supple, a competent authority on factory statistics, estimates that the persons thrown out of employment will reach 50,000; others have estimated the enforced idleness at greatly more.

Inspector of Buildings Preston, after making a careful study of the burned district, placed the building loss at $150,000,000.

To night it is feared that aid must come from adjacent cities or a partial famine will be an added phase of the situation. Restaurants are entirely without food and the destruction of the commission houses along the wharves has shut off the means of supply. The hotels are but little better and though they say they will be able to feed their guests it is admitted the variety will be lessened at once. Preparations are being made to rush supplies from New York in order to avert suffering in homes.

Late this afternoon it became possible to locate the spot where the march of the flames was stopped. After the burning of the Maryland and American Ice Company's plants near the Union Docks, few buildings were destroyed.

The ice house held the flames for three hours, though in the meantime the Norfolk wharf was consumed. The fire boat Cataract and several New York engine companies held this dangerous neighborhood and when the fire entered the American Ice Company's coal yards it was kept under control. The next building in line was the Damast Packing Company's plant, and this was but little damaged. Wilson's lumber yards, Denmead Malting Company's buildings and the Merchants and Miners' Transportation Company's building and a number of others virtually were snatched from the burning.

Local fire officials extend unstinted praise to the fire companies from New York for the brave stand they made at eastern end of the fire belt. Time and again they were driven from their position, but at the coal yard they made a last stand and won.

The Burned District.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 8.—The burned district is within the territory bounded on the west by Liberty street, on the north by Lexington street, on the east by Jones' Falls, and on the south by the Basin. Within this district were the big structures on Fayette, Gay, Lombard, Charles, Balderson, Elliott, Hollingsworth and Chespaide streets. Passing southeast along the basin the following large docks were destroyed: McClure's, Patterson, Smith's, Frederick, Long and Union. Small thoroughfares which do not extend as far north as Lexington street, and which were in the path of the flames, are Commerce, Fredericks and Mills streets.

The district thus swept by the conflagration comprised seventy-five blocks and nearly 2,500 buildings.

The Last Stand.

The cheering news that the conflagration had been checked spread rapidly over the city and the great crowds that all day had surged against the tightly drawn fire lines began to turn homeward. Unless the wind, which now blows briskly from the northwest should change, it is believed that there is no further danger. But the tired firemen are taking no chances. All over the burned district they are to-night fighting the fierce flames that still live in large piles of ruins. These fires are no menace, however, for they have nothing to feed upon outside their present limits.

During the afternoon the wall of flame was on its way southerly and westerly toward the water. Sporadic fires sprang into existence and caused the withdrawal of apparatus and men from the line of battle. Buildings, old and new, large and small, stores, shops, every imaginable class of business vanished as the fire swept onward.

As the day wore on the fore front of the fire neared Jones Falls, a small stream that trends north and south and divides Baltimore from that portion of the city known as East Baltimore. This little stream was the last stand.

If the conflagration leaped it, if by flying embers or a rush of flame the fire could cross and gain a foothold, its extent could not be foretold. Tremendous efforts were made to block it there.

Dynamite was used freely. The fire apparatus was centered and all the skill of the fire fighters called into play to defeat the element that had eaten up millions of dollars worth of property. And human skill and pluck and grit and unfaltering courage won. The fire was checked. But behind it lay a great gutted waste of more than 140 acres in extent.

Every street that led to the fire area was crowded with awe stricken spectators. Down the narrow gulch like streets the black smoke hung densely, split now and then by a red glare of flame. The crash of falling buildings was lost in the roar of exploding dynamite as it was used to demolish structures as yet untouched by fire.

Under Military Control.

The city was under the strictest military control. All around the burned area was stretched a cordon of soldiers, who held up all comers at the point of the bayonet. Police brought from the neighboring cities patrolled the district, and on every street near the limits of the fire area paced armed sentinels.

In the early hours this morning the army of fire fighters coped against overwhelming odds and when dawn broke the flames were raging fiercely along the wharves and focussed about the great power house of the United Railways Company, which furnished the power for all the street railways of the city. When the flames ate their way with undiminished force southward, following the lines of Jones' Falls, and were finally checked near the water's edge at West Falls avenue, in the southeast section of the city, there the flames continued through the night, but only in spots and diminishing fierceness. A dark gloom served to assist the watching thousands of spectators, held behind the lines squares away, to locate the flames.

The Burned Area.

The burned area is a scene of complete devastation. Numberless buildings that were the pride of Baltimore, costly and stately and occupied for divers purposes, were gutted and only smouldering debris or walls or remnants of walls remain to mark the sites. The Baltimore *American* building, one of the finest, is now but smouldering debris save for remnants and front and side walls. Across South street where stood the Baltimore *Sun* building, only the pillars that marked the front remain. Entire blocks just below there are wiped out, without, in some cases, a wall left standing. From Fayette street down Holliday street as far as German street, there is no building left, save the Corn and Flour Exchange at the corner of German street. That building, whose walls tower above the crumbling debris of what were adjoining structures, was gutted and the standing walls formed a cauldron, the flames of which burst at times through the windows, but could cause no further damage. In numerous other wrecked buildings the flames played about the debris and threatened to weaken the foundations of the few walls that were left.

Like a grim tower in the ruins stand the walls of the 15-story Continental Trust Company building. The walls of the Baltimore and Ohio building are also standing, but the Pennsylvania railroad building, directly across Calvert street is razed. Only the walls remain of the once stately Equitable building. Only remnants of one wall are left of what was the National Hotel, at Holladay and Fayette streets. No buildings are left standing as far as the eye can see down Baltimore street from this point. All along South Gay street, there is the same picture of complete destruction. A broken sign and a tottering front wall show where the Maryland W. C. T. U. building once stood. Adjoining this was the building occupied by the Iron Ship Company and by the British consulate whose building is a complete loss. The building used by the German consulate is in ruins.

The costly United States customs house in course of construction and occupying the triangular block between Lombard and Water streets and Exchange Place is said to be ruined. The marble blocks are badly damaged, the cornices on the north side are destroyed and the marble is cracked in a number of places. The only other Federal building damaged was the United States custom house, No. 1, diagonally opposite. Here the interior sustained serious damage, but the outer walls are intact, the only building in that section whose outer structure was preserved. Westward, along Pratt street, is only debris from which flames leap and play.

Down Pratt street, west from Gay for several blocks, the oil in the Standard Oil buildings ignited in succession of explosions with the bursting out of flames. At times the smoke rolled up and threw great black clouds over the ruins. Pratt street for many squares is almost impassable by reason of huge piles of masonry and water with which the fire companies flooded that section.

There were hundreds of other buildings destroyed, including many of commercial importance, but their complete list would be but a business directory of the burned area.

While there were no casualties to speak of, the great army of fire fighters performed many daring features in their desperate attempt to stay the flames. Many times they were driven out of close and hot places just as walls came tumbling down. The last large building to fall a prey to the flames, down along Jones Falls, nearly caught five men. They were on the roof and directing their efforts to an adjoining structure when a warning shout was sent up that the interior of the building on which they were standing was a mass of flames. They found their way to a tin gutter where one by one they hung on, stretched out their arms and grasped a telegraph pole which was planted close to the structure. They slid down and had not reached the ground when the roof fell in with a roar. This was only one instance. Columns could be written of hair-breadth escapes made during the twenty-eight hours battle with the flames.

All the out of town fire companies, because of the utter exhaustion of the local men, were given a free hand during the morning and early afternoon. More than a score of companies were from New York, Philadelphia, Wilmington and small towns within a radius of fifty miles of Baltimore. There duty was to check the flames in their onwrrd march southward.

The New York firemen, who were the last to arrive, owing to the long distance they travelled, were the last to stand the brunt of the flames, and when the fire began to burn itself out in the coal yard of the American Ice Company seven of their engines were backed up against a bulkhead of the Patapsco river.

Pratt street, running from one end to the other of the fire, was passable throughout its length and was used as a thoroughfare by those permitted within the lines. Great foolhardiness was exhibited by some persons who ventured recklessly into the more dangerous streets.

The clearing away of the ruins will be an affair of months. Every standing wall must come down and the whole vast accumulation of debris caried away. Along the northern edge of the burned district the number of standing walls is especially noticeable, some of the largest buildings, such as the Continental and Baltimore and Ohio office buildings, being still erect.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Property Which Exchanged Hands by Deeds Filed for Record Yesterday.

James Moran and wife, of Baltimore, to Louise P. Munson, for $3,000, property at southeast corner of Second and Ann streets, lot fronting 66 feet on Second and 108 feet on Ann street.

Eliza Williamson, of Harnett township, to James Franklin Jones and wife, of Wilmington, for $30, 35 acres of land in Harnett township, adjoining "Smith's Bay."

Louis Goodman, commissioner, to R. G. Grady, Esq., for $181, lot in an alley near Seventh and Swann streets.

— The Health Department yesterday established a quarantine for scarlet fever at 311 Hanover street, Lottie Frink, 13 years old, being the patient. The only other scarlet fever or diphtheria quarantine in the city will be lifted to-day. The patient is Willie Olersen, who has had scarlet fever at 906 North Fifth street, since Jan. 4th.

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